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The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—"He, through his subordinate."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO:—"May I know, Sir, whether these I.M.S. Superintendents of Jails are permitted to make experiments on the diet of the prisoners, almost to the risk of their lives?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—"No."

Mr. G. HARISARVOTTAMA RAO:—"Are they allowed to make any medical experiments upon the patients?"

The hon. Diwan Bahadur M. KRISHNAN NAYAR:—"No."

Village Courts Act

Introduction of an amending Bill to the Village Panchayats Court Act.

*1172 Q.—Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO: Will the hon. the Law Member be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government intend to bring an amending Bill to the Village Panchayat Courts Act, 1920; if so, when and at what stage it is; and

(b) whether it is proposed to give larger powers to the Village Panchayat Courts?

A.—(a) The Government have under consideration a Bill further to amend the Madras Village Courts Act, 1888. It is intended to make provision to the effect that a decree passed by a village court subject to the jurisdiction of one District Munsif can be transmitted for execution to another District Munsif. The Bill will be introduced in the Council as soon as it is ready.

(b) No.

Corporation

Subjects discussed at the conference of the hon. the Chief Minister and his colleagues.

*1173-A Q.—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI: Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state the final attitude of the Government in respect of subjects discussed at a conference recently held under the presidency of His Excellency the Governor between the hon. the Minister and his colleagues, the Minister for Public Health and the Finance Member and certain councillors of the Madras Corporation?

A.—Government have issued orders waiving the assessment of the old supply channel from the Red Hills Lake to Kilpauk water-works. They have also passed orders regarding the restoration from 1929-30 of the Government grant for the maintenance of the Mount Road and the Poonamallee High Road and the Corporation's contribution for the maintenance of the Government medical institutions in the city. The other subjects discussed at the conference are still under correspondence with the Corporation.